

**TOWN OF DAVIE
BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6591 ORANGE DRIVE
JANUARY 22, 2015 – 5:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS

Dr. Robert Preziosi, Chair	P
David Oakes, Vice Chair	P
Andy O’Boyle	P
William Bamford	P
Sy Dorn	P

ALSO PRESENT

Budget and Finance Director Bill Ackerman
Miriam Cleary, Cutwater Asset Management
Jason Celente, Cutwater Asset Management (by phone)
Matthew Bodo, Cutwater Asset Management (by phone)

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. Roll was called and it was determined a quorum was present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 July 28, 2014

Motion made by Mr. Dorn, seconded by Mr. Oakes, to approve the minutes of the Committee’s July 28, 2014 meeting. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

Chair Preziosi said the Committee would discuss item 4.1 first.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Fiber Optic Technology

Mr. Oakes described his desire for faster Internet service and how a city he knew of had successfully installed its own fiber optic cables to provide service to its residents. Mr. Oakes felt this could be a viable project in Davie, starting in a limited area and later building out. He suggested the Committee hear a presentation at their next meeting on this subject, and knew someone qualified to make the presentation. Chair Preziosi asked that the presentation include cost estimates. The Committee members agreed.

3.2 Budget Calendar

Mr. Ackerman reported the management retreat would be on March 6; Council's Vision and Goal Setting session would be the week of April 6; department budgets were due by April 13; community forums would be held April 20-May 1; department budget meetings would be April 27-May 13; the first workshop would be on June 10 at 4:30 and the second would be on July 29 at 4:30. The first budget hearing would be on September 3 and the second would be on September 16; the Special Assessments Hearing would be on September 15.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Investment Management Review Presentation - Cutwater Asset Management

Jason Celente provided a high-level review of the overall market via telephone. Committee members had been provided with accompanying documentation by Miriam Cleary, who was present.

Ms. Cleary discussed the Town's portfolio and suggested changes to the Town's investment policy to increase diversification and pick up incremental yield:

- Reduce minimum required corporate notes ratings from AA to A
- Increase maximum maturity range from three to five years
- Reduce minimum State and local government obligation rating from AA to A
- Have distinct, asset-backed security designation within the investment policy, with a minimum rating of AAA, a maximum allocation of 15% and maximum maturity of five years
- Increase maximum Government securities maturity to seven years
- Allow an increase in Government agency obligations by changing language in the policy

Mr. Ackerman said recommendations had been presented to the Town's financial advisor. Mr. Ackerman had worked with the financial advisor and Ms. Cleary regarding the recommended changes.

Motion made by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Mr. Dorn, to approve the changes to the Town's investment policy as described. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Recap Budget Hearings for FY 2015 Budget

Mr. Ackerman provided an update on the 2015 budget.

4.3 Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- 4/23/15; 7/23/15; 10/22/15

5. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Chair Preziosi wished to discuss the widening of Nova Drive to four lanes from Davie Road to College Avenue.

Mr. Oakes wanted to discuss an inventory of property the Town owned but was not being used for a high-value purpose. The list should include the projected value of the properties.

Mr. Oakes stated Sunrise was maxed out on its ability to supply water and new development was coming. Mr. Ackerman said the Town had discussed this situation and he agreed to update the Committee on the status of these discussions.

6. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Date

Committee Member/Chair